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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDIP,PFOR,ET,US  
SUBJECT: WITHDRAWAL OF PEACE CORPS; AMBASSADOR GODLEY

REF: A. STATE 306300, B. STATE 304042, C.STATE 296997,

1. ASSUME DEPT HAS SEEN REFTEL A ARRIED THIS MORNING AND WHICH NOTWITHSTANDING SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT SIGNALS FROM WILLIAMS/ BIGELOW MEETING DEC 3, APPEARS TO CONVEY DEFINITIVE PC DECISION TO WITHDRAW FROM ETHIOPIA. IN LIGHT OF DECISION REPORTED REFTEL (B), IT APPARENT WE NOW IN SITUATUION FORESEEN BY DEPT IN PARA 1, REFTEL (C), I.E., WITHDRAWAL IS LIKELY BE SEEN BY EPMG AS "PETY AND P UNITIVE

GESTURE IN RETALIATION FOR PMAC DECISION", A JUDGMENT WITH WHICH I AGREE. EPMG MAY ALSO SEE IT, HOWEVER, AS MORE THAN THAT, I.E. THEY MAY INTERPRET IT AS A SIGNAL THAT USG HAS DECIDED TO ALTER POLICY OF STEADINESS AS RESULT OF EPMG DECISION ON GODLEY WITH WITHDRAWAL OF PC REPRESENTING ONLY FIRST STEP IN A PROCESS OF DISENGAGEMENT.

2. I NONETHELESS PRESUME THAT IN VIEW REFTEL (A), INSTRUCTION TO INFORM EPMG OF WITHDRAWAL IS STILL OUTSTANDING AND APPRECIABLE. IF WE ARE TO DO SO, AND IN VIEW IMPERATIVE NATURE OF BIELOW'S INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED REFTEL (A), I STILL BELIEVE WE SHOULD INFORM EPMG WITHOUT DELAY FOR REASONS I HAVE PREVIOUSLY ADVANCED  
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DOING BEST WE CAN WITH SUBSTANCE PARA 5, STATE 281201 AND STRESSING FACT THAT PC DECISION HAS BEEN IN MILL FOR MANY MONTHS AND IS QUITE INDEPENDENT OF ANY OTHER CONSIDERATION. THIS WOULD BE FOR MOFA CONSUMPTION. I WOULD FORESEE BIELOW RESTRICTING HIS REMARKS TO HIS CONTACTS TO  
SUBSTANCE PARA 5, STATE 281201. BEFORE DOING SO, HOWEVER, I

WOULD APPRECIATE SOONEST ANY FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS, THOUGHTS  
OR COMMENTS DEPT MAY HAVE. IN NOTE PARA 7D OF REFTTEL (A). IS THIS  
ALL DEPT NOW WANTS ME TO DO?  
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